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Re: SMITH, Graham Thomas and FELS, Deborah Ingrid  
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Patent Application in the U.S.  
Serial No. : 09/423414 Filing Date: May 6, 1998  
Our Case : P150299  
Title : Teleconferencing Robot With Swiveling Video Monitor  
Office Action Mailed: August 5, 2003  
DUE DATE: NOVEMBER 5, 2003  
1 MONTH EXTENSION: DECEMBER 5, 2003  
2 MONTH EXTENSION: JANUARY 5, 2004

Dear Sirs:

Submitted herewith is a response to the Office Action mailed 08/05/2003.

**PROVISIONAL REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

It is hereby petitioned that, under 37 CFR 1.136, the response term in this application be extended, if necessary, to a date which includes the filing date of the present amendment.

A cheque in the amount of US \$210.00 is enclosed for payment of the extension fee for two-months for a small entity.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional necessary extension fees to Deposit Account No. 18-1350 under an order number corresponding to our file Case No. P150299.

Respectfully submitted,

**RICHES, MCKENZIE & HERBERT LLP**

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